

SENATE BILL NO. _____ HOUSE BILL NO. _____

1 A BILL to authorize the Virginia Information Technologies Agency to conduct an alternative
2 dispute resolution pilot project.

3 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

4 **1. § 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et**
5 **seq.) the Virginia Information Technologies Agency is authorized to promulgate administrative**
6 **rules requiring the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution in procurement protests involving its**
7 **procurement of information technology and telecommunications goods and services pursuant**
8 **to § 2.2-2012. Such rules may provide that deadlines specified in the Virginia Public**
9 **Procurement Act for filing procurement protests are tolled during the use of Alternative Dispute**
10 **Resolution.**

11 **§ 2. Such rules shall require the protesting party to exhaust all available administrative**
12 **remedies prior to seeking judicial review except as otherwise provided by law.**

13 **§ 3. On or before July 1, 2006, and every July 1 thereafter until the expiration of this act, the**
14 **Chief Information Officer of the Commonwealth shall submit a report to the General Assembly**
15 **on the implementation of the provisions of this act. The report shall be delivered to the chairs**
16 **of the House and Senate Committees on General Laws, the House Committee on Science and**
17 **Technology, and the Joint Commission on Technology and Science.**

18 **2. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2008.**

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